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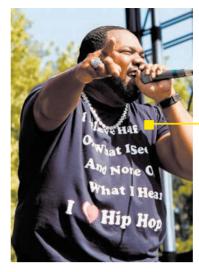
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OUTRAGE IN AFGHANISTAN

OFFICIAL: SUSPECT IN CIVILIAN MASSACRE HAD BRAIN INJURY

CNN

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan Afghans railed at American forces Monday as investigators combed through two villages where a U.S. Army sergeant is accused of having gone on a weekend rampage, killing 16 civilians.

Men wept openly as they showed the bodies of their neighbors—and some of their neighbors' children—on Monday. In one truck, a toddler with a bloodstained face lay between the bodies of two men, while another held the charred remains of two more people.

"One guy came in and pulled a boy from his sleep and he shot him in this doorway. Then they came back inside the room and put a gun in the mouth of one child and stomped on another child," one woman said

"This base told us to come back to our villages," another woman shouted. "They said,

LOCATION SIGNIFICANT

Kandahar is the birthplace of the Taliban, who were toppled by U.S.-backed Afghan forces in late 2001. Southern and eastern provinces have seen some of the fiercest fighting of the war.

'We won't bother you, this is your land and this is your own village.' Then those dogs come and grab us?"

Some of the villagers said more than one soldier appeared to have been involved in the killings. But Gen. John Allen, the commander of NATO's International Security Assistance Force, said investigators believe the suspect, a veteran of three previous tours of duty in Iraq, "acted as an individual."

The dead included four men, three women and nine children, Afghan officials reported The suspect was based at a combat outpost near the villages. His motive remained unknown Monday. He invoked his right to remain silent after turning himself in to his comrades early Sunday, according to a senior Defense Department official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The official said the suspect was an infantry sniper from Joint Base Lewis-McChord, outside Tacoma, Wash. He was diagnosed with a traumatic brain injury in 2010 after a vehicle rollover in Iraq, but found fit for duty after treatment, the official said.

Other officials have identified the soldier as a staff sergeant in his mid-30s, with a wife and children and 11 years of service in the Army. In an interview on CNN's "The Situation Room," Allen said the suspect's medical history would be part of the investigation, which would be handled by American military authorities.

Anti-U.S. anger on the rise

Reuters

Anti-Americanism, which boiled over after copies of the Quran were inadvertently burned at a NATO base last month, is likely to deepen after the Kandahar carnage.

"The Americans said they will leave in 2014. They should leave now so we can live in peace," said Mohammad Fahim, 19, a university student. "Even if the Taliban return to power, our elders can work things out with them. The Americans are disrespectful."

The civilian deaths also may force Afghan President Hamid Karzai to harden his stand in the partnership talks to appease a public already critical of his government's performance.

The partnership agreement, which Washington and Kabul have been discussing for more than a year, will be the framework for U.S. involvement in Afghanistan after foreign combat troops leave at the end of 2014.

Without a pact that keeps U.S. advisers or special forces here, there is a danger that civil war could erupt again in Afghanistan because ill-trained Afghan forces would be unable to keep insurgents at bay.

The Kandahar violence came just days after the U.S. and Afghanistan signed a deal on the gradual transfer of a major U.S.-run detention center to Afghan authorities, overcoming one of the main sticking points in the partnership negotiations.

"The Americans are not here to assist us; they are here to kill us," said Najibullah, 33, a house painter in Kabul.

"I hate the Americans and I hate anyone who loves them, so I hope there is no long-term partnership between our countries."

George Little, a spokesman for the Pentagon, said NATO's course would continue as it had before the attacks.

"The reality is that our fundamental strategy is not changing. There has been a series of troubling incidents recently, but no one should think that we are steering away from our partnership with the Afghan people, our partnership with Afghan National Security Forces, and our commitment to prosecute the war effort," he told reporters.

CTA cars as canvas?



GOING PUBLIC Tracy

Swartz

Chicago has been tagged one of the top places for street art, according to a new graffiti tracker.

Grafrank.com

showcases graffiti across the world, including Chicago, where window etchings on CTA windows, tags on agency signs and paint on the areas near train doors are popular.

The site comes as the CTA is about halfway through its pledged timetable to power wash and remove graffiti at 100 rail stations across the system.

GrafRank culls photos posted on Flickr that are tagged as "street art" and "graffiti." The site features artists who have made their mark on the city and a heat index of the popular places to tag, based on GPS data from the photos.

Jake Dobkin, a New York writer, said he recently launched the tracker because he's long been interested in street art and wanted to determined the trendy places to tag.

As of Monday afternoon, Chicago was the sixth most popular city in the world for graffiti, according to his system, which he wants to expand to Instagram and pictures posted on Twitter.

In the meantime, the site shows that graffiti is a persistent problem on the CTA. The agency has said in the past it has spent about \$4.3 million annually to clean up graffiti and replace etched glass on vehicles and in facilities.

In September, the CTA started sending "Renew Crews" to various stations to repaint surfaces and replace old signs. The goal of the \$25 million program is to cleanse 100 rail stations in a year, the CTA said.

The CTA is currently working on Blue Line stations, according to its Renew Crew Web page, transitchicago.com/stationrenewal. Graffiti recently was removed at the Clark/ Lake station and at the Polk Street entrance at the Harrison Red Line stop, the CTA said.

Dobkin, 35, said he doesn't feel his website

TALK TO US

A new study set to be published in June concludes that the invention of Bus Tracker has sparked an increase in CTA ridership, the Atlantic reported last week. Did the creation of Bus Tracker have any effect on your riding habits? Send an email to tswartz@tribune.com. Please include your full name, age and neighborhood.

STATIONARY

A weekly dispatch from a CTA station of note

This week: California Blue Line

Forget everyday travel. A trip to the California stop is more like time travel. Just like its hipster community Logan Square, the stop has antique charm. The station, built in 1895, has wooden platforms and a stationhouse front reminiscent of days with less hustle and bustle. Over the years, the CTA has modernized parts of the station including the stairwells. If the CTA ever adds an elevator to provide accessibility to

riders with disabilities, hopefully the agency will retain the station's classic style.



will encourage artists to tag the CTA.

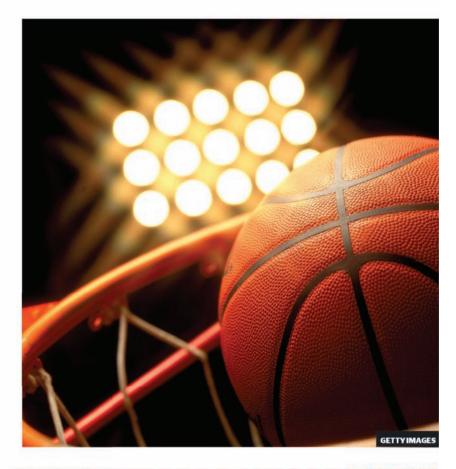
"The random tagger or etcher on the subway won't be photographed because most people don't recognize that graffiti as a form of art," Dobkin said. "This is more a tool for high quality artists."

Turn that Brown upside down

Service on the Brown Line will be temporarily suspended between the Southport and Belmont stations from 4 a.m. Saturday until 7 p.m. Sunday because of track maintenance work. Shuttle buses will serve as a substitute. Brown Line riders saw this section of track shut down this past weekend as well. A section of this track has been under slow zone for at least five years, according to maps posted on the CTA's website, transitchicago.com.

CORRECTION

"It's the Real McCoy" was performed last week at the Irish American Heritage Center by a theater group from Ireland. A story on Page 24 on Thursday listed the incorrect performance group.



ET THE MADNESS BEGIN

Now that the brackets have been filled out, it's time we asked: Whom are you rooting for during March Madness? Here's what our Facebook fans and Twitter followers had to say.

@fardmuhammed

Oh? College basketball? Um... The IIT Fighting Graphing Calculators. Those TI-83s will 86 the competition!

@gretchdub

Rock Chalk Jawhawk! Go KU!

@Ellieweedd

A jayhawk isn't a bird, and don't think anyone is 100% certain of true origin of "rock chalk," but I will FOREVER root for KU.

@nodaybuttoday08

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@JCTRambler

Rooting for St. Louis in NCAA Tournament, because they've done what my alma mater Loyola should have done in the past 20 years.

@bobspoerl

I'm cheering for 15 seed Loyola Maryland because it makes me sort of feel like my undergraduate-Loyola U Chicago-made it.

@EmilyElizabeth3

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John Fleming

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Chrissy Simokaitis

Florida State! Go Noles!!:)



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The "Hot Dogs Cause Butt Cancer" billboard on Interstate 290 is sponsored by the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine. HEATHER CHARLES/TRIBUNE

Wiener War Encased meats taking a hit from Chicago billboard

Chicago Tribune

If the warm weather and baseball spring training reports find you craving a juicy hot dog, a new billboard along the Eisenhower Expressway aims to shut that craving down.

"Hot Dogs Cause Butt Cancer," blares the brand-new sign, visible westbound between the Kostner and Cicero exits.

It's the latest in a series of anti-hot dog ads from the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine. A billboard in Indianapolis read "Hot dogs can wreck your health," while a Miami ad announced "Hot dogs can take you out of the game." Chicago got the "butt cancer" variation, the organization says, because "Illinois men have among the nation's highest colorectal cancer rates."

And as for the blunt language? The group says it "was prompted by a recent survey showing that a surprising number-39 percent-of Americans do not know what the colon is."

The National Hot Dog and Sausage Council is not amused. The industry group, part of the American Meat Institute, calls the billboards' sponsor a "pseudo-medical animal rights group" and characterizes the billboard as a publicity stunt to attack "hot dog safety in an effort to ad-



-J. Patrick Boyle, American Meat Institute president

vance their goal to create a vegan society."

"Hot dogs are part of a healthy, balanced diet," American Meat Institute president J. Patrick Boyle said. "They come in a variety of nutrition and taste formulas and they are an excellent source of protein, vitamins and minerals. This group's claims are on a collision course with the facts."

According to the American Cancer Society, however, the nitrates used to treat hot dogs have been linked to cancer in animal studies.

"The evidence that consuming high amounts of red and processed meats increases the risk of colon and rectal cancers is considered convincing," said Marji McCullough, the society's strategic director of nutritional epidemiology. "The American Cancer Society recommends limiting intake of red and processed meats in its guidelines on nutrition and cancer prevention."

Cash or cupcake? That's easy

By Mick Swasko | REDEYE

By the summer, Chicago will be home to an ATM that doles out cupcakes, not cash.

Sprinkles Cupcakes manager Ashley Triestram said the bakery at 50 E. Walton St. is one of three stores nationwide given high priority for a 24-hour automated cupcake machine. The machine, which should be installed this summer, can hold 600 cupcakes as well as store apparel and dog treats, and will be in operation 24 hours a day.

The idea, already in place in the store's Beverly Hills, Calif., location, came from one of Sprinkles' founders, whose pregnancy left her craving confections at odd hours.

The ATM already has seen long lines at the West Coast bakery, where sweets enthusiasts have waited longer for the novelty of using the machine than entering the store. But Triestram said the technology should make it quicker for those who just want one or two of the treats.

Sprinkles also will place machines in New York and Washington, D.C., this summer, and eventually the chain plans to have them in all 10 of its U.S. locations.

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EXPRESS LINES

- » A domestic dispute likely was at the root of a bomb scare that forced a Bostonto-Chicago flight carrying 83 passengers to land in Buffalo, N.Y., on Monday, but the FBI says there never was a real threat.
- » Comedian Steve Harvey will host a new syndicated daily TV show that will be produced at WMAQ/NBC 5 studios in downtown Chicago, creating an estimated 100 local jobs.
- Springlike weather is in the forecast for the Chicago area for the next two weeks, with temperatures expected to reach 20 degrees above normal and with possible thunderstorms in the forecast for some portions of the region. TRIBUNE



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Beetlemania A Beetle model is shown in a delivery tower Monday at the Volkswagen headquarters in Wolfsburg, Germany. REUTERS PHOTOS



Shattered A woman in Ashdod, Israel, stands in the doorway of a shop damaged Monday by a rocket fired by Palestinian militants. The two nations are in a fourth day of hostilities.



Dino-might! Workers move a giant Tyrannosaurus Rex model into position at Chester Zoo on Monday in Chester, England. The robotic model is one of 19 replica dinosaurs in a Dinosaurs Bite Back exhibition.

Kony video makers defend their tactics

Invisible Children, which produced a hugely popular halfhour documentary about notorious African warlord Joseph Kony, released a new video Monday to try to address criticisms about the nonprofit organization, its approach and its goals.

The group's "KONY 2012" video had been viewed more than 74 million times on YouTube by Monday. Invisible Children, which is based in San Diego, said it hopes the film and other efforts will make Kony a household name and drum up international support to halt killings, rapes, abuses and abductions committed by his group the Lord's Resistance Army, or LRA, in central Africa.

The 30-minute video became a sensation thanks to thousands of posts on Facebook and Twitter, including those from celebrities such as Bono, Angelina Jolie, Jay-Z, Ryan Seacrest and Rihanna.

But in dramatically introducing Kony to many for the first time, the video also spurred a flurry of questions about Invisible Children's intentions, its transparency and whether the social-media frenzy was too little, too late.

"I understand why a lot of people are wondering is this some slick, kind of fly-by-night, slacktivist thing, when actually it's not at all," Invisible Children CEO Ben Keesey



UGANDAN RESPONSE

Responding to the Internet campaign, the Ugandan government complained Monday it needed more help from its African neighbors. In particular, a Ugandan spokesman said, the Democratic Republic of Congo was obstructing its U.S.-backed hunt for Kony and the remnants of his Lord's Resistance Army.

said of the 8-minute, 32-second video released March 5. "It's connected to a really deep, thoughtful, very intentional and strategic campaign."

Kony has operated in central Africa for two decades and is wanted for crimes against humanity by the International Criminal Court. In October, the U.S. sent 100 combatequipped troops on a mission to kill or capture Kony.

Hulu expands original shows

Hulu has taken the latest step toward becoming a full-fledged TV network by striking a deal to distribute its original shows outside the U.S. The deal allows FremantleMedia Enterprises to distribute Hulu's original shows, including the Morgan Spurlock documentary "A Day In The Life," in international markets

Americans taking the bus

Ridership on the nation's trains and buses hit one of the highest levels in decades, with officials crediting high gas prices, a stronger economy and new technology that makes riding public transit easier. In 2011, Americans took 10.4 billion trips on mass transit, a 2.3 percent increase over 2010 and just shy of the number of trips in 2008.

Penn State clarifies firing

Joe Paterno was fired as head coach of the Penn State football team because the university's board of trustees thought he failed to take his knowledge of a scandal to the appropriate authorities, the board said in a report posted online Monday. Former assistant coach Jerry Sandusky is alleged to have had inappropriate sexual behavior with a minor.

Say no to cigarettes

Two children were suspected of burning down a large gothic castle in eastern Slovakia when their experimentation with smoking went wrong, police said Sunday. Police were investigating two boys on suspicions they set grass at the foot of the Krasna Horka castle on fire Saturday when they tried to light cigarettes.



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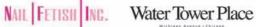
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NOT SO LINSANE

RedEye

It finally happened.

The Bulls found themselves face to face with the NBA phenomenon known as Linsanity on Tuesday night when the N.Y. Knicks invaded the United Center.

Linsanity, aka point guard Jeremy Lin, has waned since its glory days about a month ago, but the Knicks remain a dangerous squad with Amar'e Stoudemire, Carmelo Anthony and Tyson Chandler—the same Chandler who used to be a Bull.

"Well, Linsanity was Lincredible ..." Neil Funk said as he opened Comcast SportsNet's coverage of the game, hinting at the waning effectiveness of Lin and the Knicks, who entered Monday night's game losers of five straight.

Even so, Stacey King mentioned "Linsanity" twice during his "difference makers" segment—before the game even TIPPED OFF!

So how big of an impact did Lin really make? Let's go to the scoreboard.

FIRST STRIKE

Just two and a half minutes into the game, Lin went strong to the hoop on a drive for a layup that looked like one that Rose might complete.

SHOWING HIS D

With 3:03 left in the first quarter, Rose accelerated down the court on a fast break, ready to finish off one of his highlight-reel drives, when Lin swatted the ball from behind for an impressive rejection.

STREAKER

A back-and-forth battle in the first half ended with the Knicks up 50-48, fueled in large part by a Lin scoring outburst. He scored six of the Knicks' final nine points of the half.

PICKPOCKET

Early in the third period, Lin stole the ball from Rose and fed Anthony for a fastbreak bucket that gives the Knicks a 57-54 lead.

SNIPER

Lin showed off his longrange touch with a 3-pointer with 5:15 left in the third that cut a five-point Bulls lead to two, just when it looked as if the Bulls might make a run to put the game away.

AVERAGE JOE

In the grand scheme of things, Lin was just average in the Bulls' win, shooting 4-of-11 from the field for 15 points (six at the freethrow line). He even heard the "over-rated" chants from the crowd.

Deng iffy for Heat

Luol Deng missed his second straight game to rest his ailing left wrist, which was his original plan. But Bulls coach Tom Thibodeau wouldn't commit to Deng playing Wednesday against Miami.

"We'll see," Thibodeau said. "You can't play if you don't practice."

The Bulls are scheduled to practice Tuesday. C.J. Watson skipped his fifth straight game with a sprained left ankle.

Richard Hamilton remains out indefinitely with a sprained right shoulder. TRIBUNE

The Cubs will be just fine



DiCaro

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Next year is nearly upon us, and there's already been a fair amount of hair pulling over the 2012 Cubs. Sure, they're not going to inspire anyone to start scouting World Series seats, but for once I'm not worried about the state of Cubs, and you shouldn't be either. Here's why:

The front-office

appears non-insane: Contrary to years past, when the front office annually insisted it had assembled a World Series contender, Cubs President Theo Epstein and manager Dale Sveum have been blunt about how far the organization has to go to compete. Epstein compared the righting of a baseball organization to turning an ocean liner. You can turn the wheel hard immediately, but it still takes a while to get the ship headed in the right direction. He should know; he's done it before.

There's a game plan: If Bunt-a-Palooza has taught us anything, it's that the Cubs have a clear idea what this team needs to work on: fundamentals. Since the Cubs have been one of the worst defensive teams for years, this news should be greeted with the popping of champagne bottles. What's more, Epstein's infamous manual on how to do things "The Cubs Way" seeks to sync the way fundamentals are taught at every level of the organization. An entire organization on the same page? What is this, the Yankees?

Whippersnappers who can play: For the first time in recent memory, the Cubs have several highly touted prospects. And when I say "highly touted," I mean by someone other than the Cubs' scouting department. First baseman Anthony Rizzo has been listed among the top 10 prospects in the nation, and Cubs minor-leaguers Brett Jackson, Javier Baez and Trey McNutt also have received high marks from analysts. Given that Epstein assembled two World Series champs from home-grown stock, look for the Cubs farm system to become one of the best in baseball.

No, it's not going to happen overnight, but turn those frowns upside-down, Cubs fans. You're going to have a winner on the North Side. And it's only a few years away. JULIE DICARO IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR.

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LIN CITY

These five don't have punny names, but they want your vote. Text "tue" followed by the number next to your favorite to 87708.



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How can you tell Jeremy Lin was in town to play the Bulls?

When we've been Linundated with terrible puns. Tracy's being detained for the duration.

Everyone talked about it on the Linternet.

My waiter was so excited that he brought the egg roll I ordered, then dunked on me. (Insert joke on Far Eastern stereotypes that would never be accepted by Tribune Co. for print.) The decaying cloud of rotting hype wafting past the United Center.

What's it mean when Orlando says it hasn't decided whether to trade Dwight Howard?

It always happens to towns like Orlando: Dwight flight.

Dwight hasn't figured out which team without the best record he wants to play for.

As soon as Boozer finishes accident-proofing a house in Orlando, the trade will go through.

It means, like most people, all trades are open while the shamrock shake is still a potential trading mechanism. "Please stop talking about this. Please. Isn't Jeremy Lin doing something?"

The NCAA considers its play-in games the "first round." You?

The only smart thing they've done is put Norfolk State at 15! Behold the green and gold!

I consider them the third round.

I'm done with the NCAA; it is as trustworthy as a Chicago political race.

My grandma will "nit" me

You want to call the storied rivalry between BYU and lona a "play-in game"?! Don't talk to me.

It's like how for some people, holding hands is "first base."

How are you planning on taking in this year's NIT?

Through an old hand-held, black and white TV, because the zombiepocalypse must've happened.

I'll probably finally go to a NITing party my grandma is always hosting.

a sweater to spill beer on while I watch the second-best tournament.

I threw a dart at a map to find the winner. Landed on Stony Brook. Time to get a new map. The same way I do every year: with carefully honed apathy.

Why did Brian Urlacher throw out the first pitch at an Atlanta-Toronto game?

Maybe because he's a year away from being a Toronto Argonaut?

He has the best arm on the

Because they specifically requested the best pitcher in Chicago sports.

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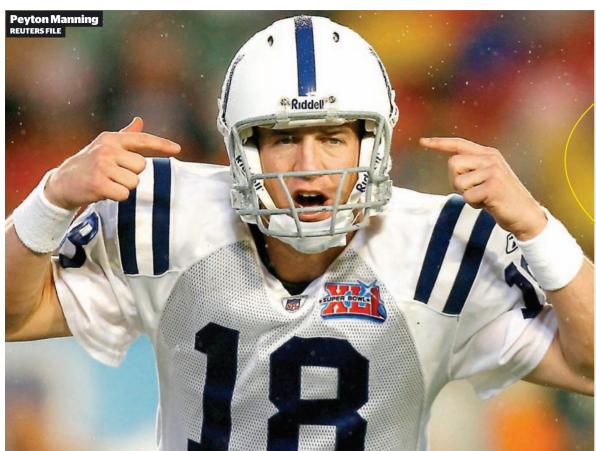
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NFL D-Day Manning mania's just the tip of the free-agent iceberg

RedEve

Sick of Dwight Howard trade rumors? Get ready for NFL free agency madness that could dwarf the rumblings surrounding the big man.

On Tuesday, NFL teams can start signing free agents. Did you hear that, Bears?

The biggest catch, of course, is quarterback Peyton Manning.

Manning, formerly of the Indianapolis Colts, already has visited Arizona and Denver. Reports suggest those two are the front-runners to land him, but Manning also is visiting the Miami Dolphins on Tuesday before free agency begins at 3 p.m. But Tennessee Titans owner Bud Adams has made it clear he wants Manning, who played for Tennessee in college.

"He is the man I want. Period," Adams told the Tennessean regarding Manning. "And the people that work for me understand that. They know who I want. I want Mr. Manning with the Titans, and I will be disappointed if it doesn't happen."

Here are other big names and teams likely to be active when free agency starts.



BEARS IN RECEIVERSHIP

The No. 1 need for the Bears, per outsiders at least, is a wide receiver And there are several to be had. N.Y. Giants Super Bowl hero Mario Manningham,

San Diego's Vincent Jackson and New Orleans' Marques Colston are among the stacked crop of receivers.

SUPER MARIO

Another huge free agent is Texans defensive end Mario Williams. Through five years, he has a better sacks-per-game average (0.73) than all but the Cowboys' DeMarcus Ware (1.0) and the Vikings' Jared Allen (0.99), according to the Tribune.

FLYNN AND BEAR IT

Current Green Bay backup quarterback Matt Flynn is another prize to be had. He opened eyes big time when he passed for 480 yards and six touchdowns Jan. 1. And we all know how the Packers' last quarterback turned out ...

Erin Andrews

Ozzie eiectedin spring training

Good to see Miami Marlins manager Ozzie Guillen is in midseason form-for getting ejected. Guillen argued a foul ball call in the top of the sixth at JetBlue Park on Monday with the firstbase umpire, then when he was done he walked straight off the field, but not before hurling a few more words at the thirdbase umpire. Same old Ozzie.

Checkmate for cleavage

Ladies competing in the European Chess Union's championship through March 14 are going to have to button up. The ECU is following new regulations that allow only the top two buttons of a female player's shirt to be opened. Further, in an interview with ChessBase News, ECU General Secretary Sava Stoisavljevic said rules for the lengths of miniskirts may be instituted soon. What a bunch of party-poopers.

Erin Andrews leaving ESPN?

If the rumors swirling around the Twittersphere are true, ESPN sideline reporter Erin Andrews has appeared on the sports network for the last time. Richard Deitsch of Sports Illustrated tweeted that FSPN confirmed to him that the weekend's ACC tourney was her last assignment.

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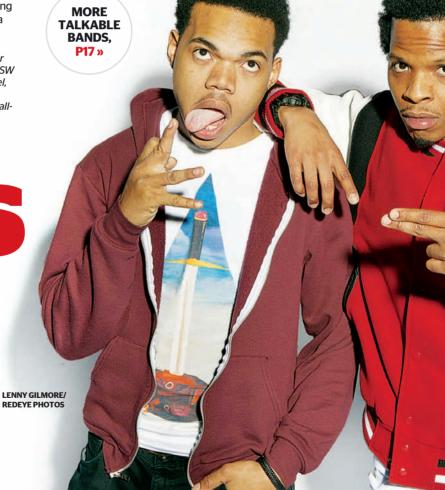
This isn't your first rodeo what are you looking forward to at SXSW 2012?

I'm excited to do SXSW entirely on my own terms this year. I'm headed down solo with a hotel room to myself. I listen to a wide variety of music, so I'm planning to catch a bit of everything—electronic, hip-hop, rock. I'm most interested in seeking out acts I've not seen live before. Of course there will be plenty of tacos, margaritas and meet-ups with online friends.

You're hosting a party this year, but which others are must-attends?

The best parties always end up being the ones you wander into by mistake. The FADER FORT, Mess With Texas and The Hype Machine regularly present large multi-day events that are safe bets for catching a wide variety of acts with a single RSVP.

Murtagh and No Modest Bear host a Friday showcase at SXSW at Hype Machine's Hype Hotel, featuring Young Man, Caged Animals, Jonquil, Blouse, Korallreven and Taken by Trees.



SOUTH BY CHICAGO'S CHICAGO'S BEST 4LOCAL ACTS WHO WILL BLOW YOUR MIND AT SXSW

By Jessica Galliart | REDEYE

Nearly 50 local bands are making the trek to Austin, Texas, this week for the South by Southwest music festival. While some will headline their own official showcases during the March 13-18 event, many have packed their schedules with multiple shows each day at unofficial parties throughout the city—where pricey badges and wristbands aren't necessary and the free booze flows, uh, freely.

How else will Chicago be represented in Austin? Meet four Chicago natives—an indie-pop band, a comedian, a blogger/party host and a rap crew—who are headed to SXSW for a week of parties, crowded streets (think: hipster Mardi Gras) and—they hope—a ton of national exposure. JGALLIART@TRIBUNE.COM | @JESSICAGALLIART



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THE INDIE-POP BAND

Deserters

Bobby Lord, Jake Anderson, Kevin Sager, Justin Park, Billy Klein

Have you guys ever traveled this far together before?

Klein: For a show? No. This is our first out-of-state tour. And it's our first time playing SXSW.

Anderson: We've only played probably six or seven shows.

What are you hoping to get out of the trip and your showcases?

Klein: Gaining the experience of going on the road. ... It's our first time we'll be staying together after a show for a certain amount of days.

Lord: It's a big test for a band to drive 40 hours together.

Are you nervous about anything?

Anderson: Money. Just worried about being able to eat while we're there. And get there in one piece and don't lose anything.

Lord: Or get anything stolen. **Klein:** Or get too drunk before we play.

Deserters perform Sunday at SXSW and April 14 at Subterranean.



#SaveMoney's Chance the Rapper and Vic Spencer

Part of the Chicago rap collective with more than a dozen members

Is this your first time at SXSW?

Both: Yeah!

What do you know about SXSW?

Spencer: Honestly? I heard it was like the Taste [of Chicago], but more of a musical version. **Chance:** Yeah! With people rapping in the street.

Spencer: Yeah, a real college feel.

So what are you looking to get out of your first time and your showcases?

Spencer: I'm trying to make people aware of what we've got going on. Just spreading the word, you know? I'm going to take part in some of the parties of the events Chicago cats have going on.

Chance: Maybe do some videos?

Spencer: Videos, for sure. My thing is to have an experience that helps me build and see what can lead me ahead.

Chance the Rapper performs at the Digital Freshness showcase with MTV2 Sucker Free Thursday at SXSW and releases his "#10Day" mixtape April 3.



THE COMEDIAN

Cameron Esposito

Comedian seen in solo show "Side Mullet Nation" and featured on SXSW's comedy lineup

Will you be performing new material during your set?

I have some stuff written in the last month that I'm pretty in love with. Hopefully I don't hate it by then.

How are you feeling about being featured alongside big names such as Marc Maron, Todd Barry, Kristen Schaal ...

I'm excited about it. I'm happy to be a part of that list of people. I also have been to out-of-town fests where it's a lineup that big and it's really an insane amount of fun to just be with this group of comics. It's neat to get to know people from all over the country.

Anyone you're particularly excited to see?

Honestly almost every comic they've booked falls under that. I'm really excited to see Reggie Watts.

Esposito performs Friday and Saturday at SXSW and March 27 at Zanie's Comedy Club in Chicago.

TOP CHICAGO BANDS AT SXSW



Mahogany SXSW: Wednesday Next Chicago show:

March 31, Ace Bar » With film and animation worked into live shows, this electric group also uses synthesizers, guitars, cellos and more to create its sound.

Musikanto

SXSW: Thursday **Next Chicago show:** March 22, "Chicago Live!" at UP! Comedy Club

» One of the many folk-Americana acts to come out of Chicago recently, the singer-songwriter's croons, refined acoustic guitar and harmonica can more than hold a crowd's attention

BJ The Chicago Kid SXSW: Friday

Next Chicago show: March 23, Double Door

Kids These Days

SXSW: Saturday

Next Chicago show: May 4, Columbia College Chicago

» After turning heads last year at SXSW and in 2011 at Lollapalooza, this soulful hornsand-hip-hop group is about to take off.

» He may be young, but this rapper and crooner has some old-school soul. He'll undoubtedly please at SXSW.

K.Flay

SXSW: Wednesday The Wilmette native spits some wit in her rhymes layered over party anthem beats. A slot at the Pandora Discovery Den guarantees a hipster-heavy party.

Rockie Fresh sxsw: Friday

» This quickly rising rapper is just 20 and on the verge of taking over the hip-hop world.

Archie Powell & The Exports

SXSW: Wednesday, Thursday Next Chicago show:

April 27, Subterranean The pop-rockers most likely will preview their second full-length album, due May 1.

JC Brooks & The Uptown Sound

SXSW: Saturday Next Chicago show: April 27. Metro

» Playing more than eight shows in four days, these charismatic soul rockers are planning to take Austin by storm.



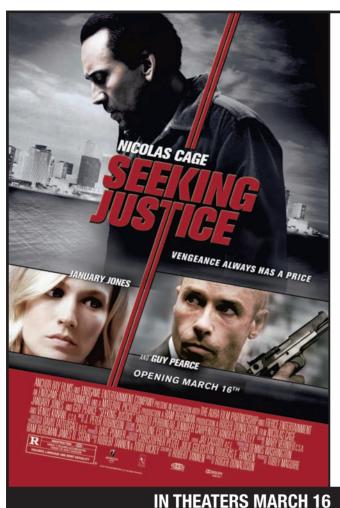
Maps & Atlases sxsw: Thursday,

Friday **Next Chicago show:**

May 11, Metro

» If you missed "Perch Patchwork," the indierockers' first album, catch up quickly before they release new material— which we'll hopefully get a sneak peek of in Austin.

MORE ONLINE » See the full list of Chicago bands performing at SXSW at **redeyechicago.com/sxsw**, and check out a Spotify playlist of these bands at **spoti.fi/sxswxchi**.





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- A Thousand Words (PG-13) 2:05,4:40,7:15,9:50
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OTHER SXSW ACTS YOU'LL BE TALKING ABOUT

Bruce Springsteen

SXSW: Thursday "The Boss will give a keynote speech, followed by an "intimate" show at a secret space.

Jack White

SXSW: Friday » His solo album debuts April 23, so expect to hear about

this show for weeks.

Fiona Apple

SXSW: Thursday None of her first shows outside L.A. in five years and it's in a church.



Grimes

SXSW: Thursday » Slightly bizarre solo dance pop artist Claire Boucher twists knobs (and minds) and will play Pitchfork 2012.

The-Dream

SXSW: Wednesday » If the R&B singer does some kind of mashup with Lionel Richie—both are headlining the Billboard showcase heads will explode.

UME

SXSW: Tuesday The Austin rockers finally are building momentum after multiple SXSW appearances.

A\$AP Rocky

SXSW: Saturday » Another Pitchfork 2012 act, this guy could be the most talked-about rapper at SXSW.

Cloud Nothings

» Also on Pitchfork 2012 roster, the power-pop group recorded its aggressive new album in Chicago last year.

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PREVIEW: ROCKIT BURGER BAR

Rockit: Here's the beef

By Lisa Arnett

REDEYE

Billy Dec tweets. A lot. The CEO of Rockit Ranch has become nearly as well-known for his constant Twitter use as for the company's Asian restaurant Sunda and two locations of Rockit Bar & Grill. But what he discovered on social media about one of his own businesses ended up surprising him.

A decade ago, Rockit Ranch opened Rockit Bar & Grill in River North, and three years ago it opened a second location in Lakeview just steps from Wrigley Field (3700 N. Clark St. 773-645-4400). When Dec noticed customers were tweeting him photos almost exclusively of burgers at the bar's Wrigley location, he asked his managers to pull sales records and found that burgers accounted for

75 percent of orders.

So he's giving the people what they want and reconcepting the location into Rockit Burger Bar, due to launch in time for Cubs opening day April 5.

The change isn't far-fetched, considering Rockit hosts an annual Burger Fest event and the bar's original brie-topped Kobe burger with truffle fries has earned local and national praise. Rockit Burger Bar's menu of 16 burgers will feature old favorites, such as the original Rockit Burger and the Locavore with Midwestern-made cheese, bacon aioli and onion rings battered in Goose Island beer, as well as some brand-new creations and a long list of DIY toppings. Here's a peek at three new burgers on the menu.

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The Johnny Apple Burger

This burger builds on the popular combination of apples and brie by matching slivers of gala apple with melted brie as well as applewood-smoked bacon and pecan aioli. It sounds a little reminiscent of Rockit's popular cinnamon raisin grilled cheese sandwich with brie, apples and hazelnut vinaigrette—only in burger form.



The Hottie

Fans of the pub grub favorite that is the jalapeno popper should save room for this spicy burger, which piles the breaded, cream cheese-stuffed peppers on top of a patty along with pepper jack cheese and ghost pepper aioli. "It has a kick to it, but not like one of those crazy kicks where they try to get you to sign a waiver," Dec said.

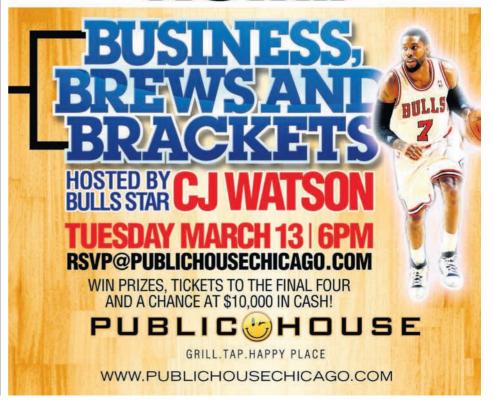


The Macdaddy

First, Dimo's Pizza (formerly lan's) put mac 'n' cheese on pizza. Then Cheesie's slapped it on a grilled cheese sandwich. Now Rockit adds to Lakeview's reputation for loving mac 'n' cheese on anything possible by piling cheesy mac, beef short ribs and caramelized onions on top of a Black Angus burger. Dec wasn't so sure about this burger dreamed up by Rockit Ranch partner Arturo Gomez, but a few bites changed his mind. "It's the ultimate comfort food, and if you can take that warm, cheesy sort of texture and taste that gives you that brings you back [to childhood and put it] inside a burger ... it's unbelievable," Dec said.



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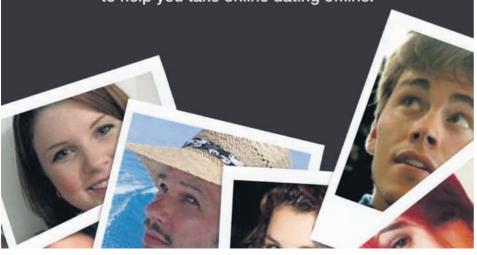
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Frights follow 'River' cast to hospital set



SHOW PATROL

Curt Wagner

cwwagner@ tribune.com @showpatrol While filming ABC's thriller "The River," the actors had to pretend to be frightened of ghosts and other supernatural entities lurking around them when nothing actually was threatening them.

That was not the case when they filmed at the former Waimano Training School and Hospital outside Pearl City

on the island of Oahu. It's reportedly one of Hawaii's most haunted locations.

"The place was haunted to the point that the security guard left screaming the first night we were there," star Leslie Hope said. "Four people on our crew and cast broke bones in the three days that we were there, which is crazy."

Among those injured was Thomas Kretschmann, who plays Capt. Kurt Brynildson. He split his shin bone after falling down a stair and claimed he felt something push him, Hope said.

"He's a pretty tough guy; he's a macho guy, always carries a gun and stuff like that in the show and he always plays those parts," she said. "He was literally standing on a step and felt like somebody pushed him down. ... Stuff like was happening there. That was scary."

Viewers get to see the hospital in "The Experiment," which premieres at 8 p.m. Tuesday on ABC. In the episode, it serves as an abandoned research facility that the party searching for Dr. Emmet Cole is led to

by a tantalizing set of clues.

In reality, the Waimano Ridge facility has served as a hospital for abandoned children and an insane asylum in the past.

"Rumor has it that the guy who ran the place had been decapitated by the nurses there because he was so terrible to the staff and the children," Hope said.

According to the Historic Hawai'i Foundation, the Waimano site was established in 1919 and originally was known as the Waimano Home for the Feebleminded. "It was shuttered in 1999 following years of rumors about dingy conditions and questionable patient treatment," the foundation's website says. After years of neglect, the site says, the Department of Health began restoring buildings at Waimano Ridge and turning it into a modern medical community. It currently houses state organizations and programs.

But abandoned buildings remain, and over the years numerous ghost sightings and other creepy, unexplained phenomena have been reported. Whether you believe the claims or not, Hope—a self-professed skeptic of "hauntings" before filming began—said her mind has been changed.

"I would say most assuredly yes," she said. "After we were there for three months and the situation in that creepy abandoned hospital was one of the worst, where you'd step into these long corridors. ... You step in and—I don't know quite how to describe it—it just felt like you were always trying to brush things off your body, like there were things around you all the time."

» Watch sneak peeks for the episode at showpatroltv.com.

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TODAY IN	THE YE	EAR	

1781: The planet now known as Uranus was discovered by English astronomer William Herschel. He named it Georgium Sidus.

1852: The first cartoon depicting Uncle Sam as the symbol of the United States appeared in a drawing by Frank Bellew in the New York Lantern.

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆

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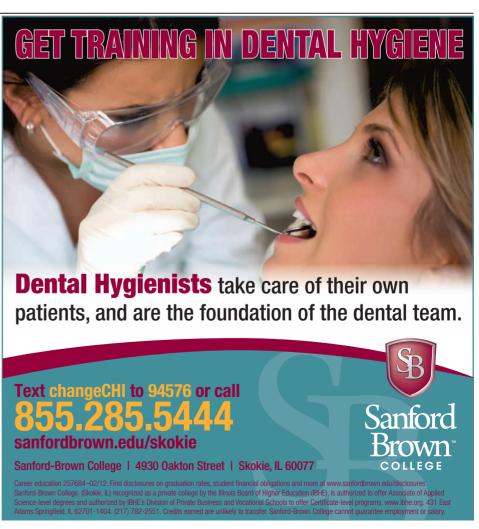
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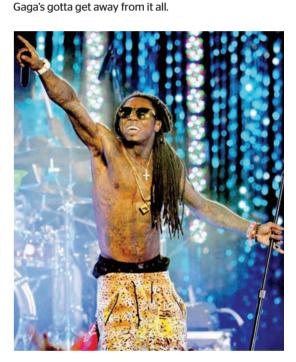






Lady Gaga Rank: 4 Cash: \$25,353,039

How she's spending it: Building an archipelago off Dubai in the shape of her own face. It'd be a great vacation resort for her Little Monsters, and sometimes, even



Lil Wayne

Rank: 5

Cash: \$23,178,722

How he's spending it: Starting Weezy's Old-Skool Tattoo School, a college for those who want to become tatt pros. We bet he'd even teach some design courses.

Adele **Rank: 10** Cash: \$13,081,909 How she's spending it: Shopping for velvet cushions, vintage cigarette holders and large boxes of bon-bons. Adele's proved her vocal cords are back in business, but she still needs a swanky place to rest them up between belting.





SATURDAY, MARCH 17TH









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Nerd alert!

Stephen Hawking has been Simpsonized, animated on "Futurama" and even appeared as a hologram on "Star Trek." Now the real deal will appear on TV during an April 5 cameo on "The Big Bang Theory," TV Guide Canada reports.

MONEY FOR NOTHING?

\$100,000 an episode for drinking, fighting and tanning is a bit too much for some. A Fitness Magazine/Yahoo! Finance survey has ranked "Jersey Shore" mom-to-be Snooki as the most overpaid celebrity, nypost.com reports, with 51 percent of those polled saying she's paid more than she deserves. Kim Kardashian ranked second and Miami Heat star LeBron James was third.

THE DIGIT

That's how many people watched Oprah Winfrey's interview with Whitney Houston's daughter, brother and sister-in-law Sunday on the OWN Network, according to usatoday.com. That episode of "Oprah's Next Chapter" drew the highest ratings in the network's history.



HOT DATE APRIL 7

That's when "Modern Family" star Sofia Vergara will host "Saturday Night Live." Teen heart-stealers One Direction will serve as musical quests. which means this will be one scream-heavy night.







Kim Kardashian is, like, totally offended or something, after Jon Hamm reportedly called her an "idiot" in an interview with Elle UK. "Calling someone who runs their own businesses, is a part of a successful TV show, produces, writes, designs, and creates, 'stupid,' is in my opinion careless," she tweeted Monday. To be fair, he called her an "idiot," not "stupid." Just saying.



I JUST FEEL LIKE SHE WOULD BE GOOD AT COME!

-Jason Segel, to usmagazine.com, on wanting to star in a movie with Hillary Clinton

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